### **CHAPTER NO. 270**

# **HOUSE BILL NO. 581**

# By Representative Winningham

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1458

## **Bv Senator Davis**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-203, relative to the powers of school boards to appoint or extend the contracts of directors of schools during a certain period prior to elections.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-203(a)(15)(A), is amended by inserting the following two sentences between the present first and second sentences:

No school board, however, may either terminate, without cause, or enter into a contract with any director of schools during a period extending from forty-five (45) days prior to the general school board election until thirty (30) days following such election. Any vacancy in the office of the director which occurs within this period shall be filled on a temporary basis, not extending beyond sixty (60) days following the general school board election. An option to renew a contract which exists on the effective date of this act may be exercised within the time period set out in this subdivision.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 14, 2001

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER SE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2001